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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated February 12, 2004, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, Group I, claims 1-15 and 26-30 to prosecute in the above-identified patent application.

Claims 1-30 in the present application all relate to bit rate conversion. It should not, therefore, present an undue burden to search all claims together.

Group I (claims 1-15 and 26-30) pertain to bit rate conversion using requantization. Independent claims in Group I recite requantizing a first portion and requantizing a second portion using requantization schemes.

Group II claims 16-25 also pertain to bit rate conversion using requantization. Independent claims in Group II recite applying requantization schemes. Consequently, Applicants respectfully submit that all claims relate to bit rate conversion using requantization and that the restriction requirement should be withdrawn. Please therefore examine all claim groups together.

If any fees are due in connection with the filing this Response to Restriction Requirement, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account 500388 (Order No. CISCP158).

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